## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: S. MORGAN ET AL.

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TITLE: DIRECT DRIVE HOSE REEL ASSEMBLY

## PETITION UNDER RULE 136(a) FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents United States Patent and Trademark Office P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), for a three-month extension, until March 23, 2009, in which to file an *Amendment in Response to the First Office Action*, dated September 23, 2008, for the above-identified patent application.

The shortened statutory period for response expired on December 23, 2008. The requisite fee of \$555.00 (small entity) is being concurrently remitted via EFT.

Respectfully submitted,

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